

# **December Events**



Pack Your Bags! A
Kid's Ticket to
Travel at CMOM
through January 16



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his fun-filled exhibition helps children explore and understand why people travel and how traveling can change us. It invites kids to join in the exciting adventure of five very different kinds of travel: journeying to a new home, visiting new places, taking on new challenges, joining in a celebration and taking imaginary trips to the destinations of our dreams. The many engaging ideas, activities and special artifacts in the exhibit encourage children to think about their own sense of identity and community. The exhibit is meant to enrich children's lives, broaden their

cultural experience and give them a creative space in which to learn about the world. By experiencing a new home in Canada, a family reunion and a journey by train, kids become part of the fun and adventure! The exhibit is presented in English and French. It is on loan from the Canadian Children's Museum.



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## Spark Your Imagination & Light Up Your Mind with Our Special Programs!

Andy Ambulance: This miniature robotic ambulance communicate's about first aid, emergency medicine and public safety, with a special emphasis on when and how to call 9-1-1. Thursdays at 3 pm for all ages. Sponsored by Rural/Metro Amubulance.

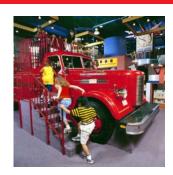
**Art Busy:** Make special art projects in The Studio. Wednesdays at 3:30 pm for ages 4+. *Sponsored by Target*.

**Baby Bug:** Engage in activities that foster curiosity and sensory experience. First Wednesday of each month at 10 am for ages 12-24 months. Reservations required: call 901-458-2678. \$6 members and \$8 non-members. *Sponsored* 

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**Holiday Art:** We are presenting Holiday Art in December only. Visit *Art Smart* to make special projects. Days and times vary for all ages.

**Hello Stuffee:** Learn about the digestive, respiratory and circulatory systems from a seven-foot-tall rag doll that unzips to reveal what's inside the body. Tuesdays at 3 pm for all ages. *Sponsored by Rande H. Lazar, MD & Otolaryngology Consultants of Memphis*.

**Hot Shot:** Learn about the importance of immunization from this puppet that raps and sings about childhood vaccinations. Saturdays at 3 pm for all ages. *Sponsored by LeBonheur Children's Medical Center.* 

**Kid Karaoke:** Sing your favorite tunes on a real stage in the Rising Stars Theatre. Fridays at 3:30 pm for all ages.

**Lab Brats:** Enjoy hands-on explorations, investigate scientific inscrutabilities and probe fascinating problems with our "Lab Rat." Second Saturday of each month at 2 pm for ages 6-9. Reservations required: call 901-458-2678. \$6 members and \$8 non-members.

**Search Party:** Look for letters, shapes or colors in this seek and find game - and get a prize. Thursdays at 3:30 pm and Sundays at 1:30 pm for all ages. **Tales & Tunes:** Listen to a story, sing songs and make a craft. Fridays at 2 pm for all ages.

**Toddlers Together:** Participate in fun learning activities, crafts and songs. First Thursday of each month at 10 am for ages 2-3 years. Reservations required; call 901-458-2678. \$6 members and \$8 non-members.

## Have Breakfast with Frosty the Snowman on December 4 or 11

ome to our special winter wonderland and have a magical good time with everyone's favorite winter character, Frosty the Snowman. This fun-filled event allows kids to meet the lovable Frosty in person, eat a picnic-style breakfast, make a magic hat, sing-a-long with the Frosty song, color special art pages, see the animated Frosty cartoon and more. Parents are encouraged to bring cameras to capture that special moment. Hours: 8 or 10 am. Admission: \$12 per person (under 1 free). Reservations required. Call 901-458-2678. Media Sponsors: Time Warner Cable & WMC FM 100.

### Performances, Programs & Demos

#### Saturday, December 4

Hanukkah Holiday Stories with Bobbie Drobeck at 2:30 pm.

#### Saturday, December 18

Ballet on Wheels Theatre of Dance at 2 pm.

#### Tuesday, December 21

Holiday Ornaments Workshop at 11 am; admission: \$2.

#### Thursday, December 23

Fa La La La with CMOM Christmas Music Sing-A-Long at

#### **Tuesday, December 28**

Umoja, Ujiima, Ujamaa Let's Learn About Kwanzaa at 1 pm.









## Ring in 2005 at New Year's at Noon on December 31

elebrating the New Year has never been more fun for children! Kids get in the spirit of the "Year of the Rooster" as they enjoy making party hats, noisemakers and other crafts. Karaoke, balloon animals, face painting, a strolling costumed character and other entertainment complete the activities. Then, right before noon, children join in a parade and march to



the museum's *Time Square* exhibit for the countdown to the "New Year." They join in the old favorite "Auld Lang Syne" and then catch fun prizes in the goody toss. To finish off the celebration, there's a dance party with a variety of refreshments to toast 2005! All ages. Hours: 10 am-1 pm. Included with museum admission.

The museum will be CLOSED on these dates: Friday, December 24: Christmas Eve Saturday, December 25: Christmas Day Sunday, December 26: For the holidays

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The Children's Museum of Memphis is a discovery museum for children, families and educators. A private, non-profit organization, the museum is an informal education facility designed to complement the curriculum of school systems and encourage the curiosity and imagination of children through interactive programs and handson exhibits. Located at 2525 Central Avenue, the museum is open Tuesday-Saturday, 9 am-5 pm, and Sunday, 12-5 pm. Admission is \$6 for children (1-12) and seniors (62+), \$7 for adults and free for museum members. For more information, call 901-458-2678 or the information line at 901-320-3170. The museum's web site at www.cmom.com has coupons and current information.

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